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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

COMPETITION DOES EXIST AND MUST! As a Sonic customer this petition stinks. Translation: They are claiming that residential consumers (thats you!) will not be affected, because there are no carriers (thats Sonic!) who use unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace.

Sonic, other carriers, and a full economic study all disagree with USTelecom on this key point.

Sonic residential subscribers do exist, and we, the members would be "materially affected". In fact, those effects would be profound; without access to UNE services, Sonic wouldnt have been able to connect consumers while we build our fiber networks, nor fund the construction of our fiber networks. And once fiber networks are built, UNEs are still used they connect from city to city and are the key backhaul for all of our fiber networks.

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